ment have, in the public interest, decided to extend the tenure of Col. S. P. Wahi, as Chairman, ONGC for one year.

Including this extension, he has been given three extensions so far.

**Proposals to increase the production of oil**

1299. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has proposed to ambitious plan to increase the production of oil drastically during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the production of oil has stagnated between 30-31 million tonnes during the last three years; and

(c) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken by Government to increase the production of oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The crude oil production plan of ONGC for the Eighth Five Year Plan will be finalised alongwith finalisation of the said five Year Plan as a whole.

(b) Production of crude oil in the country during the last 3 years was as follows:—

| | (Million Tonnes) |
|---|---|
| 1985-86 | 30.17 |
| 1986-87 | 30.50 |
| 1987-88 | 30.36 |
| 1988-89 (Target) | 32.18 |

(c) The following steps, *inter alia*, have been taken to increase the production of crude oil:—

—Intensification of exploration, which may eventually lead to enhanced production.

—Intensification of work-over operations.

—Use of enhanced oil recovery techniques.

**New industries in Rayalaseema in Andhra Pradesh**

1300. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have made any investment in industries in Rayalaseema of Andhra Pradesh during the last five year plan and so far during the current five year plan; and

(b) if so, which are the new industries coming up in Rayalaseema during the current five year plan period?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per available information no new public sector enterprises are coming up in Rayalaseema in the Central Industrial and Mineral Projects during the current Five Year Plan period.

**Heavy/Major Industries of Public Sector in Andhra Pradesh**

1301. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of heavy/major industries in Public Sector in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) what is the amount and capital invested by the Central Government in each one of them?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) As on 31.3.87, there were 12 public sector enterprises with their registered offices located in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) Investment in terms of gross block in each of the above public sector enterprises as per available information as on 31.3.87 is given as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

| Name of Public Sector Enterprises | Gross Block |
|---|---|
| Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd. | 3223.82 |
| Mishra Dhatu Nigm Ltd. | 99.96 |
| Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd. | 71 |
| Electronics Corpn. of India Ltd. | 46.43 |
| Sponge Iron India Ltd. | 26.41 |
| Bharat Dynamics Ltd. | 32.70 |
| Praga Tools Ltd. | 24.22 |
| HMT Bearings Ltd. | 8.65 |
| Southern Pesticides Corpn. Ltd. | 7.90 |
| National Mineral Development Corpn. Ltd. | 4.08 |
| Hindustan Flouro Carbons Ltd. | 33.99 |
| C.M.C. Ltd. | 3.49 |

**Cooking Gas Facilities in the Rural Areas of Andhra Pradesh**

1302. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to issue LPG licenses for rural and semi-urban areas of Andhra Pradesh so as to extend the cooking gas facilities in the rural areas of the State; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The oil industry is normally taking up, in a phased manner, locations all over the country including in Andhra Pradesh, with population of around 20,000 and above (as per 1961 census) and which offer adequate potential for viable marketing of LPG. The oil industry conducts field surveys of various locations for this purpose on a continuous basis and includes such of those locations which satisfy the above criteria in its Annual Marketing Plans for distribution of LPG.

**Emergency Cells for hearing Complaints**

1303. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in Andhra Pradesh where emergency cells have been set up for hearing complaints concerning LPG; and

(b) what is the number of Complaints that were registered in these emergency cells and how many out of them were redressed during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) Emergency cells for dealing with complaints concerning LPG have been set up by the Oil Industry at Secunderabad, Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. These cells received 3,040 and 3,639 complaints during 1986-87 and 1987-88 respectively. All the complaints were attended to promptly to the satisfaction of the customers.

**Daily Requirement and Supply of Gas to Andhra Pradesh**

1304. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM